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Ms. Victoria Hirshboeck
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Fish and Wildlife Service
Trempealeau National Wildlife and Fish Refuge
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Trempealeau, Wisconsin 54661

Re: Comments for the Final Environmental Impact Statement for Trempealeau National
Wildlife Refuge - CEQ No. 20080148

Dear Ms. Hirschboeck:

In accordance with our responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), Region 5 has reviewed the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) for the Trempealeau National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge). The Draft EIS identified a preferred alternative which calls for integrated public use, habitat, and wildlife focus.

In our August 10, 2007 comment letter, the U.S. EPA rated the Draft EIS and CCP as *Lack of Objections, LO*. Based upon our review of the Final EIS, we maintain our lack of objections.

We appreciate the opportunity to review the Final EIS and CCP. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Kathy Kowal of my staff at (312) 353-5206 or via email at kowal.kathleen@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/

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